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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTThe Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Commissioner,

Please enter the following preliminary amendments in this application:

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IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A contact printing system comprising a pod, a detachable printing device, a substrate, an actuator and a motion resistor, wherein:

the pod comprises a receptacle for reversibly attaching an attachment portion of the printing device;

the printing device comprises a reservoir having a proximal opening to ambient pressure, the reservoir containing a liquid comprising a predetermined agent, and a capillary comprising an axial bore having a proximal opening in fluid connection with the reservoir and a distal opening open to ambient pressure, and a printing tip comprising the distal opening operative to print the agent on the substrate;

the actuator is operative to reversibly urge the capillary along its longitudinal axis toward the substrate; and

the motion resistor is operative to incompletely resist motion of the capillary along its